State of Maine

Notice of Public Hearings

Department of Health and Human Services / Office of Child and Family Services

Child Care Development Fund State Plan for the period of June 1, 2016-September 30, 2018

In accordance with Public Law 113-186, the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Act of 2014, and MRS Title 5. Chapter 375, §9052 a public hearing will be held by the Maine Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child and Family Services. The purpose of this hearing is to seek public and provider input and comment on the draft plan for the provision of child care services funded by the federal Child Care Development Fund. The State Plan describes Maine's plan to support the state's child care infrastructure and comply with federal requirements of the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Act of 2014. Also in accordance with MRS Title 5. §9054, (1). (2)., application for intervention may be submitted to the person and by the method listed at the bottom of this notice up until the five (5) days prior to the date of the hearing.

Copies of the draft plan may be requested by contacting:

Department of Health and Human Services/Office of Child and Family Services

Attn: Barbara Sousa
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The draft plan may also be viewed or printed from the link below:

http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ocfs/ec/occhs/child-care.html

The public hearing will be held from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 3, 2016 at:

The Maine State Library 230 State Street, Room # 307 Augusta, Maine 04333

Public and provider participation will also be available at these Interactive satellite locations:

Caribou Learning Center 75 Bennett Drive, Room # 1 Caribou, Maine 04736

Bangor High School 885 Broadway, Lecture Hall Bangor, Maine 04401

Portland Public Library Main Library, Meeting Room # 3 5 Monument Square Portland, Maine 04101

A Public Hearing for Providers (no broadcast) will also be held on February 3, 2016 from 5:00 pm to 7:30 pm at:

Office of Child and Family Services - Pine Tree Room, 2 Anthony Avenue, Augusta, Maine 04333

Written comments/arguments may be submitted for consideration prior to the hearings, and/or after the hearings up until midnight February 13, 2016, via Fax: 207-287-6156 or by email to Elissa.wynne@maine.gov